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Interview Summary

Application No. 08/591,246	Attendant(s) Thomson
Examiner Brenda Brumback	Group Art Unit 1815
	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Brenda Brumback

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(2) Michael Woodward

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Date of Interview Jan 22, 1998

Type: Telephonic Personal (copy is given to applicant applicant's representative).

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: Yes No. If yes, brief description:

Agreement was reached. was not reached.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-11

Identification of prior art discussed:

Description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments:

The remaining rejection of claims 1-11 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, requiring a deposit of a representative cell line was discussed. Submission of a Declaration of James Thomson demonstrating that the procedure taught in the specification has repeatedly yielded cell lines with the characteristics cited in the claims was also discussed as an alternative to the deposit requirement.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments, if available, which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments which would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

1. It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview.

Unless the paragraph above has been checked to indicate to the contrary, A FORMAL WRITTEN RESPONSE TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION IS NOT WAIVED AND MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a response to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW.

2. Since the Examiner's interview summary above (including any attachments) reflects a complete response to each of the objections, rejections and requirements that may be present in the last Office action, and since the claims are now allowable, this completed form is considered to fulfill the response requirements of the last Office action. Applicant is not relieved from providing a separate record of the interview unless box 1 above is also checked.

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